

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 7, 2000

H.R. 3646 An act for the relief of certain Persian Gulf evacuees

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on June 30, 2000

H.R. 3646 would grant permanent United States residence to 140 individuals who were evacuated from Kuwait during the Persian Gulf war; these people have resided in the United States since 1990. CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget. H.R. 3646 could have a small effect on fees collected by the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which are classified as direct spending, so pay-as-you-go procedures would apply.

On April 12, 2000, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3646, as ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on March 30, 2000. The two versions of the legislation are almost identical, and our cost estimates are the same.

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